



Greening SMU Newsletter

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Welcome to **Greening SMU**, a monthly newsletter to update and connect Saint Mary's University students, faculty and staff on various sustainability initiatives, events, volunteer and job opportunities across the university and in the community.

Past editions of **Greening SMU** are available at www.smu.ca/sustainability.

This newsletter is just one way to keep you connected! You can also find us on Twitter or Facebook by searching "**Sustainable Saint-Mary's**". To contribute to **Greening SMU**, email sustainability@smu.ca. Cheers!

Take the Pledge!

Taking the pledge is only the first step to helping our planet. It doesn't take

a lot of work to start living sustainably; it can be as easy as turning off the lights when you leave the room. Click the image below to take the pledge and learn more about sustainability.

Everyone's Doing It!



Pledge @re)generation



The Sexiest Grocery Store is My Garden

During 2011 Orientation week there will be an exciting workshop series being held by the SMU Community Garden Action Group at the SMU Community Gardens in the Oaks backyard.

Wednesday, Sept 7th, 3pm-5pm

Part 1 - Holistic Nutrition with Hilary Riefesal

Hilary will be talking with us about why it is better to eat live food, how to enjoy food with your senses and the specific benefits of certain foods found in the SMU Community Gardens.

We will finish by harvesting some fresh veggies to make and share a delicious salad of all local ingredients!

Part 2 - Container Gardening with Jayme Melrose

With the rising costs of food and questionable quality of food at some grocery stores, more and more of us are entertaining the idea of growing our own. Container gardening is a simple and easy way for folks living in the city to get creative and use what limited space and materials they have to grow your own food all year round!

Thursday, Sept 8th, 3pm-5pm

Part 1 - Soil Life and Compost Critters with Jayme Melrose

You may have heard of soil as a living organism... and it's the truth! Soil is full of all sorts of interesting microbial activity. Critters in the soil eating, sleeping, travelling, communicating, and making babies makes for healthy and alive soil that is an important foundation for the plants you want to grow. Jayme Melrose, Halifax's Garden Doula, will guide us in a discussion about soil health, mulch, and compost as we explore the garden and actually build compost in the Oaks to be used next summer!

Part 2 - Mushroom Growing 101 with Adam Leblanc

Mushrooms have amazing potential to heal the environment and make our plants grow big and strong! Join us as mushroom man Adam Leblanc explains to us how mushrooms play a vital role in the garden by breaking down woody materials, leaving behind tasty nutrients for our plants! Then we will create a home for Wine Cap mushrooms in the garden that will benefit the plants and soil and we can eat them too!



SMU
Community
Garden



WHAT'S IN?



Plastic bottles, jugs and jars for:

Beverages (including milk), shampoo, lotions, cleaners, windshield washer fluid, and other household liquids etc...



Plastic food tubs and containers for:

Yogurt, margarine, sour cream, cottage cheese, cookies, fruit & vegetable trays, salads, plastic clamshells and ice cream etc..



Plastic Bags/ Wrap:

Grocery, bread, produce and frozen vegetable bags and other plastic film/wrap items etc...

WHAT'S OUT?



Styrofoam (Garbage)



Non-container plastics:

Bottle caps, toys, dvd cases, plastic cutlery, straws, pipe, packaging that is made of a combination of plastic plus paper, bulky items that do not fit in the blue bag.



These items go in the garbage.

Have you heard the news?

Recycling in HRM is about to become easier!

Starting September 1st, HRM residents will be able to place **ALL PLASTIC CONTAINERS** in the blue bag for recycling. No more checking for numbers on the bottom.

To find out more about what goes where please click on the image below. Or visit www.smu.ca/sustainability

RECYCLABLES	PAPER
<p>YES PLASTIC BOTTLES AND CONTAINERS (PET AND #2 PLASTICS) ALL PLASTIC BAGS: INCLUDING GROCERY, RETAIL, BREAD, DRY CLEANING & FROZEN FOOD BAGS, BUBBLE WRAP GLASS BOTTLES AND JARS STEEL AND ALUMINUM CANS CLEAN ALUMINUM FOIL AND PLATES PAPER MILK CARTONS, MINI SIPS AND TETRA JUICE PACKS</p> <p>NO DISPOSABLE COFFEE CUPS (INCLUDING "BIODEGRADABLE" CUPS) PLASTIC OR METAL BOTTLE CAPS</p>	<p>YES DRY AND CLEAN PAPER NEWSPAPERS AND FLYERS GLOSSY MAGAZINES AND CATALOGUES ENVELOPES (REMOVE PLASTIC WINDOW) PAPER EGG CARTONS PAPERBACKS AND PHONE BOOKS PIZZA AND SHOE BOXES PAPER TAKE-OUT BAGS SHREDDED PAPER</p> <p>NO DISPOSABLE COFFEE CUPS (INCLUDING "BIODEGRADABLE" CUPS) SOILED PAPER DISPOSABLE COFFEE CUPS</p>
ORGANICS	GARBAGE
<p>YES FRUIT AND VEGETABLE PEELINGS TABLE SCRAPS, MEAT, FISH, BONES DAIRY PRODUCTS FOOD NAPKINS BREAD, RICE PASTA COFFEE GROUNDS, FILTERS, TEA BAGS SOILED PAPER AND BOXBOARD (CEREAL BOXES)</p> <p>NO DISPOSABLE COFFEE CUPS (INCLUDING "BIODEGRADABLE" CUPS) PLASTICS (INCLUDING PLASTIC "BIODEGRADABLE" BAGS) CORRUGATED CARDBOARD NO WAXED/FILM FROZEN FOOD CONTAINERS OR PACKAGING</p>	<p>YES ALL DISPOSABLE COFFEE CUPS (INCLUDING "BIODEGRADABLE" CUPS) CHIP BAGS BOTTLE CAPS CARBON PAPER STYROFOAM PLASTIC UTENSILS</p> <p>NO TIRED WASTE GLASS PAPER BIODEGRADABLE</p>



ARAMARK's Farm to Table Program: Apples

Ambrosia, cortland, gala, gravenstein, honeycrisp, McIntosh...sound familiar?

These are just some of the varieties of apples available in Nova Scotia. With harvest season beginning from August and running through October; there's an apple variety to satisfy every palate!

Apples have been dated as far back as the Acadian Settlers in NS (1633); which used apples for eating fresh, dried for cooking and drinking cider.

With largest growers situated in the Annapolis Valley region; it's no surprise visitors and residents both travel to get their favourite apples.

Apples are a source of fibre, vitamin C and antioxidants. They contain no sodium, fat or cholesterol. The pectin in apples helps lower blood cholesterol. Apples will ripen 6-10 times faster at room temperature than in the refrigerator. To learn more about our apples, check out one of our local suppliers at www.scotianguard.com.

Homemade Apple Pie

Ingredients

- 2 cups all-purpose flour
 - 1 teaspoon salt
 - 3/4 cup shortening
 - 4 tablespoons cold water
- FILLING:
- 7 cups thinly sliced peeled baking apples (e.g.; indared, gravenstein, golden delicious)
 - 2 tablespoons lemon juice
 - 1 cup sugar
 - 1/4 cup all-purpose flour
 - 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
 - 1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg
 - 2 tablespoons butter or margarine
 - 1 egg yolk
 - 1 tablespoon water



(c) Cooking On the Side

Directions

1. In a bowl, combine flour and salt; cut in shortening. Gradually add cold water, 1 tablespoon at a time, tossing lightly with a fork until dough forms a ball. Chill for 30 minutes. On a floured surface, roll half of dough into 10-in. circle. Place into a 9-in. pie pan.
2. In a bowl, toss apples with lemon juice. Combine sugar, flour, cinnamon, salt and nutmeg; add to apples and toss. Pour into crust; dot with butter. Roll out remaining pastry to fit top of pie; cut slits in top. Place over filling; seal and flute edges. Beat egg yolk and water; brush over pastry. Bake at 425 degrees F for 15 minutes. Reduce heat to 350 degrees F; bake 40-45 minutes more or until crust is golden and filling is bubbly. *Source: <http://allrecipes.com>*

Starting Fresh – 8 Green tips to get you thinking green.

With this newsletter being the first one of the school year we wanted to remind you of our past Green Tips. Starting a new school year allows you to start fresh. We at Greening SMU challenge you to commit to making your life even a little more “green”. These tips will give you some ideas to get you started and also show you how SMU is greening too!

Only Rain Down the Drain

More than 60% of water pollution comes from things like cars leaking oil, failing septic systems, and fertilizers from lawns, gardens and farms. Just one quart of oil dumped down a storm drain can cause an 8 acre oil-slick on lakes and rivers.

Water pollution is becoming just as much of a problem as air pollution. With air pollution we luckily have trees that help filter the air; however with water pollution there are very few natural filters that are able to extract the kinds of pollutions we are contaminating it with.

A recent study done in a network of 25 ground-water and 49 surface-water sources of public drinking water supply in 25 states and Puerto Rico were sampled and analyzed for 124 emerging contaminants. At least one emerging contaminant was detected in 96% of the samples! If this is the water we are drinking imagine what waste is going to other waterways. Examples of medications found included acetaminophen, steroids, hormones, codeine, antibiotics, antimicrobials, and ibuprofen. This study only dealt with medications so this does not include other contaminants such as chemicals, soaps or oils.

What can you do?

- Use fertilizers sparingly and sweep up driveways, sidewalks, and roads instead of using a hose.
- NEVER dump anything down storm drains.
- Take unwanted chemicals and paint to a hazardous waste collection site.
- Check for and fix car leaks and recycle motor oil.
- Direct downspouts away from paved surfaces.
- Take your car to the car wash instead of washing it in the driveway.
- Pick up after your pet and throw the waste in the garbage.
- Have your septic tank system pumped and inspected regularly.
- Compost your yard waste.
- Avoid pesticides, use non-toxic gardening techniques.
- Use soaps that are Eco-friendly or Biodegradable
- Take unwanted or expired medications to a pharmacy to have them properly disposed of.
- Use non-chlorine pool and spa alternatives. If using chlorine, add a de-chlorination product such as sodium thiosulfate before draining the water. Then drain the water onto a permeable surface such as a lawn.



What is SMU doing?

Custodial has changed the kind of chemicals that they use, 75% of the cleaning chemicals used are certified as green products. The soap in the bathrooms has been changed to environmentally friendly hand soap.

Additionally together with the Nova Scotia School of Art and Design Saint Mary's received a grant to help create a sustainable community-based watershed monitoring program in Nova Scotia. The water quality monitoring tool-kit will be field-tested by members of environmental community groups and accepted by relevant federal and provincial government agencies. Monitoring waters in Nova Scotia will show what pollutants are making it into our water systems. Knowing what kinds of pollutants are affecting our water, will help in the development of a way too hopefully remove the waste from our waters.

For More information on water pollution contact sustainability@smu.ca

Organic Waste

30-50% of all garbage is organic material. Most people do not understand why organic material in our landfills is a bad thing, most think that landfills are like giant composters but this is not the case. A landfill takes waste, buries and compacts it so tightly that not even oxygen can get to the waste. Without oxygen the waste breaks down in a way that takes longer than a composter and also produces methane gas. Methane gas is effective in trapping radiant gas that causes a warming affect, this contributes to climate change.

What can you do about it?

Lucky for us Nova Scotia has become a leader in diverting waste from landfills. Nova Scotia's program to reduce, reuse and recycle has made a huge impact on our landfills and has succeeded to divert 50 percent of the waste from landfills. With bans set in place to stop the amount of organic waste going into our landfills all you have to do is follow the rules set out by the province or by your county.

You can still help to decrease the amount of organic waste in our landfills even further. When you have food or organic waste, make sure that you are putting it in the right place, to make sure of this it is important to become familiar with the correct way of disposal in your area. The major way to help reduce organic waste from reaching out landfills is to use your green bin and sort your waste wherever possible. You also have to start thinking about not just yourself but the people around you as well. You may think that it is no big deal to throw just one banana peel into your garbage that goes to the land fill but think if everyone in the HRM threw out just one banana peel that would be more than 372,000 banana peels making it to our landfills!

What is SMU doing?

Throughout Saint Mary's there are 134 four-stream recycling stations placed around the campus in public spaces. These recycling stations are broken down into different colour groups:

- Yellow – Recyclables and refundables
 - Blue – Paper
 - Green – Organics
 - Grey – Garbage

By having these four bins it allows for garbage to be sorted out and to be sent to the right place. These bins will reduce the wrong waste going to the wrong place but only if people around campus use them correctly. Next time you need to throw out a piece of "garbage" take time to think about which bin it should go in. If you don't know where your waste should go most of these recycling stations have a list of what can go in each of these bins placed around them. Instead of throwing it into the closest bin take the time to put it in the right place, doing this small act can make a huge difference!

For more information or if you have any questions about sorting your waste contact

sustainability@smu.ca or visit <http://www.smu.ca/sustainability/>

Not so Fair Trade

Sustainability is not just about the environment but about the three E's, Economic Vitality, Equal Opportunity, and Environmental Quality. Under the current system of coffee trade very little of what consumers pay for coffee, often less than 10% reaches the farmer who grows the bean.

Of the 25 million coffee producers, approximately 15 million are small farmers. Unable to export directly they must sell their crops to mid-level traders, or as they are commonly called in Central America, coyotes.' These traders often use their monopoly position to force the farmer to sell low. As lenders, these coyotes demand extremely high interest payments. This type of exploitation results in a spiraling debt cycle that leaves farmers and families further impoverished.

However, there is an alternative. Fairly traded coffee is bought directly from farming cooperatives, which eliminates the role of the midlevel trader and allows farmers to earn a fair living.

What can you do?

In Halifax alone there are many coffee shops that offer fair trade coffee. Some of these shops include Just Us!, Cabin Coffee, Coburg Coffee House, Daily Grind Newsstand & Café, and Perks Coffee. The best way to know if your favorite coffee shop offers fair trade products is to ask. When looking for coffee to make at home you have the option to buy fair trade just look for the fair trade certified label on the bag.



What is SMU doing?

In the atrium there is a Just Us! that gives people on campus the choice of buying fair trade coffee. Just Us! also sells fair trade chocolate bars to satisfy those with a sustainability cautious sweet tooth. Just Us! was Canada's first Fair Trade coffee roaster with a mission to put "people and the planet before profits". Aramark is a supporter of Coffee Kids, an international non-profit organization that helps coffee-farming families in their efforts to improve the quality of their lives. This program does not go through middlemen to help the farmers but rather directly supports the communities to improve the quality of life for not only the farmers and their families but the entire community.

Sources:

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World consumption of paper has grown four hundred percent in the last 40 years. Now nearly 4 billion trees or 35% of the total trees cut around the world are used in paper industries on every continent.

What Can You Do?

Every one of us uses paper in the run of a day because it comes in so many forms. Office paper, facial tissue, cardboard are all paper products. Not only will saving paper help the environment it can also help you cut your costs. Everyone can save paper if they make a conscious effort. Here are some tips to help you conserve paper:

- When printing set the printer to print both sides, reduce font size, or put more than one page on a sheet of paper. (At SMU you pay per sheet of paper printed therefore you can cut your costs by %50 by simply printing on both sides.)
 - Use technology, save e-mails and documents – Don't print them.
 - Set your fax machine so it "prints" the document onto your computer
 - When eating at home use cloth napkins instead of paper towel.
- Sign up for e-billing, many companies offer a paperless bill that gets sent to you through e-mail instead of through snail mail.
 - Read the newspaper on-line
 - Use a re-useable mug when buying your morning coffee.
 - When taking notes, use both sides of the paper
 - Use print pre-view to avoid throwing out copies not being used.
 - Use/buy recycled paper, toilet paper, and non-bleached napkins.

What Is SMU Doing?

All of Saint Mary's washroom paper products are made of 100% recyclable materials. Human Resources no longer provides paper pay stubs; they have an online system. The Registrar's office has online registration and the academic calendar is posted online. Frosh packs are now paperless. SMUES collects paper in special marked bins on computer labs and makes notebooks out of them. The Faculty lounge and dockside have reusable utensils and plates, cups and mugs for customers to use, eliminating paper ones being used. The TESL center now has paperless student handbook. Residence has a recycling center in Hen Ally where there are proper bins to sort waste and allows people to recycle paper. ITSS staff changed the default to all printers in the computer labs and in their office to double sided. ITSS have also changed the default printer to one of better quality after realizing people would throw out paper printed from the printer of lower quality and reprint on the higher quality printer anyways.

Idling



In Canada idling cars wastes 630 million litres of fuel in a year! With the price, wasting gas also means wasting money. As for the atmosphere, CO₂ is the main greenhouse gas linked to climate change. With every litre of gasoline used 2.3 kilograms of CO₂ is produced.

What can you do?

This one is easy – when you stop your car, except when in traffic, turn off instead of idling. Studies have shown that if you are idling for more than ten seconds it is better for your car and environment to turn it off. Your car is designed to warm up as you drive so starting your car and letting it idle to warm it up is actually worse for your car than getting in it and driving. Another way to help reduce your CO₂ emissions is to always keep your car in good working condition and tires inflated, a well maintained vehicle can reduce fuel consumption by %10-%50. Keeping unnecessary weight out of your car will allow it to increase the amount of kilometers per litre. Drive sensibly to try to avoid quick starts and stops that can increase your fuel consumption. Slow your driving, most cars get the best fuel efficiency between the speeds of 80km/h and 100km/h.

Driving at 120km/h rather than 100km/h can increase your fuel consumption by %20.

What is SMU Doing?

SMU has placed signage around campus to encourage people to keep these spaces idle free. So please no idling on campus!

For more information on fuel consumption and cutting your CO₂ emissions please visit www.smu.ca/sustainability or email sustainability@smu.ca

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<http://sgauto.wordpress.com/2010/07/30/better-fuel-consumption-tips/>





Water, water everywhere but not a drop to drink...

Well at least not available to drink. Although the Earth is made up of 97% water there is only less than 1% that is readily available to us as drinking water. Many people only have access to contaminated drinking water.

What can you do?

Conserving water is one of the easiest little changes you can do to help the environment. Here are some of the changes:

- Install low flow faucets and low flow toilets.
- Turn off the water while brushing your teeth.
- When you are in the shower turn off the water while you are soaping-up or shampooing.
- Keep cold water in the fridge so you don't have to let the water run until it reaches a cool temperature.
- When washing dishes let dirty pots and pans soak before washing them. Also when rinsing dishes if you have two sinks leave one filled with water so you are not running the water to rinse every dish.
- If you have a dish washer, only run it when there is a full load.
- When washing veggies fill the sink or a pot to wash them in so you don't have to keep the water running.
- Fix any leaks.
- When doing laundry only run the washer if you have a full load.
- In the summer don't over water your plants or lawn. Overwatering not only wastes water but also causes plants to suffer.
- If you are going to use sprinklers to water plants and your lawn set them up so they are only watering what you want to be watered, not sidewalks or roads.
- Collect and use rain water to water plants.
- When washing your car use a bucket and a trigger nozzle on your hose rather than letting the water run for the whole time.

What is SMU doing?

Saint Mary's have installed low flow shower heads in residence and some toilets have been changed to auto flush sensors. Residence as also had a water conservation competition in the past that allows students to be in a friendly competition with other students while being environmentally friendly.

For more information on water conservation please contact sustainability@smu.ca or visit <http://www.smu.ca/sustainability/>

Waste of the 21st Century

More than 140 000 tonnes of computer equipment, phones, televisions, stereos, and small home appliances accumulate in Canadian landfills each year.

In our techno-world it is not at all strange to us to see headlines advertising a new technology. Technology and the electronics that come along with it are ever changing and advancing. These changes are (for the most part) great for our society, but one thing that people rarely think about when they go to upgrade their cell phone, or buy a computer is where will there old ones go. We know to recycle bottles, and use both sides of our paper but most people don't know where to get rid of their old electronics. Some end up in the back corner of junk drawers and others end up in landfills.

What can you do?

Nova Scotia has set up a ban on electronics in landfills. The government of Nova Scotia has partnered with the Atlantic Canada Electronic Stewardship to try and help keep e-waste from reaching our landfills. The ACES mission is to operate a sustainable and efficient electronics collection and recycling program to divert end-of-life electronic products from export or landfill in full compliance to local, provincial and federal requirements. There are 36 ACES drop off centers around Nova Scotia where you can take your e-waste and drop it off free of charge. (For Locations please visit <http://www.acestewardship.ca/consumers/dropofflocations>). There are other options available for unused cell phones and used printer cartridges. Some charities and organizations collect cell phone and ink cartridges and the funds generated go toward their programs Cell phone can be donated to the Diabetes association or Feed Nova Scotia, and ink Cartridges to the Diabetes association. The Halifax regional municipality has a list of alternatives to a land fill, for the full list please visit <http://www.halifax.ca/wrms/alternatives.html>. The most important thing is to know what can be thrown out, recycled or reused.

What is SMU doing?

Saint Mary's has set up a recycling room which is used for a drop-off site for e-waste in Hen Alley 111. This insures that your unwanted electronics are getting disposed of properly, and you don't have to find a way to get to one of the HRM drop-off sites. The recycling room also has a bin for empty ink and toner cartridges. Near the residence security desk there is a bin for clothing and household items that are no longer wanted and at the end of the school year SMUES holds a Dump and Run where you can donate unwanted items and keep them from reaching the landfills. In the Student Center and Loyola (by the Tim Hortons) there is a bin where you can drop old batteries, printer cartridges and small electronics like mp3 players, cameras, and cell phones.

If you have any questions about e-waste or where to recycle it, please feel free to contact sustainability@smu.ca.

Sources :

<http://www.halifax.ca/wrms/alternatives.htm>

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<http://www.acestewardship.ca/consumers/dropofflocations>





One city bus can take 40 vehicles off the road, save 70,000 litres of fuel and keep 168 tonnes of pollutants out of the atmosphere each year

From 2000 – 2009 the amount of vehicles in Canada have increased by almost 3 million. That means that there are less people using alternate forms of transportation and more vehicle emissions. With climate change being a concern, we have to start using more environmentally friendly ways of getting around. Public transportation is an easy step to decrease your CO₂ vehicle emissions. With the purchase of two new Hybrid buses by HRM, you can feel even better about riding the bus! For more information about these busses you can go to <http://www.getonboardhrm.ca/busfacts/>.

What Can You Do?

There are so many alternatives to jumping into your car that are not only better for the environment but are better for your health! If you are in walking distance of where you are going, leave a few minutes early and walk. If you still want to have a set of wheels try biking, rollerblading or skateboarding. If you are too far away to walk or bike check out the MetroTransit website to see if you can use the busses and ferry to get to where you are going. Maps and schedules can be found at

<http://www.halifax.ca/metrotransit/Schedules/index.asp>. Google has also started a new program called GoogleTransit that maps out a route for you using public transit. When commuting back and forth to work and school try to find others who are going in the same direction and start a carpool group. If there is no one you know that is going the same direction HRM Smart Trip has a website that matches you with people in your area who also want to find someone to carpool with. Just go to the web site, www.hrmsmarttrip.ca, fill out the short registration form and you will be matched with other potential carpoolers. Kijiji has a section as well for carpooling.

What is SMU Doing?

In students fees a MetroTransit pass is included. This is a huge step in cutting emission, could you imagine if every student who lived off campus drove their car to school? If you are not a student you can also purchase bus tickets from the info desk. SMU has recently put in more bike racks around campus, which encourage bike use to get to and from campus. Facilities management has a carpool program in place with a discounted parking rate and a reserved spot if you carpool with three or more people in the vehicle.



Getting Involved

If you are new to the school or are looking to get a little more involved this year there are many societies on campus. A full list can be found at <http://www.smusa.ca/societies/list>. Societies are always looking for new members and often do not require a great deal of work. Some of the societies that deal with sustainability are the;

- Saint Mary's University Environmental Society
- Students In Free Enterprise
- Saint Mary's Urban Garden Action Group
- Saint Mary's Geography Society
- Biology Society
- Geology Society
- World University Service of Canada

To find out more about a society come out to the society Expo September 8th from 10am-3pm in the Quad.

Events

Step Up to Leadership - Halifax

Date: September 8, 2011

Time: 6:30 - 9:00pm

Location: Bloomfield Centre
2786 Agricola St
Halifax

More: HRM Volunteer Services offers a FREE 10 session course which was developed by volunteers for volunteers. The course covers a wide range of topics and is intended to help you develop leadership skills and build strong communities.

Contact: HRM Volunteer Services
www.halifax.ca/volunteerservices
Ph. 490-1946
hrmvolunteerservices@halifax.ca
Training

It's More than Busses - Mobilize

Date: September 7, 2011

Time: 6:00 - 8:00pm

Location: World Trade and
Convention Center
1800 Argyle Street,
Halifax

More: Transit is about access, mobility and a better city! Join the conversation about the future of public transportation in Halifax.

Contact:
<http://www.facebook.com/itsmorethanbuses>

The Crisis in Somalia: What's Really Happening

Date: September 15, 2011

Time: 7:00 - 9:00 pm

Location: Saint Mary's University
Sobey 255

More: The idea is to provide the public deeper understandings of this tragic crisis. Two Saint Mary's faculty will give short talks on climate change and global food systems. These will be followed by a one-hour talk on Somalia by an anthropologist from Colby College in Maine.